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CITY TALK TODAY

Tune in to City Talk today on WGCV 620 AM
from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. to hear:



5:00 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

Guest: Marli Drum, Superintendent,
Columbia Animal Services

Topic: Christmas in July Adoption Specials

5:20 p.m. - 5:40 p.m.

Guest: Lucinda Statler, Urban Design
Planner, Planning Department

Topic: Walk Bike Columbia! Public Meetings

5:40 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Guest: Lee Thompson, Interim Assistant
Superintendent of Recreation, Parks & Rec

Topic: Registration for After-School Programs

For more information about today's topics, contact the
Public Relations Department at 803-545-3020.

NEWS

SCE&G TO PERFORM TREE TRIMMING ACTIVITIES AS SCHEDULED

SCE&G will perform tree trimming activities along overhead utility lines in the following neighborhoods for the next two weeks:

Belmont
College Place
Gabel Oaks
Northwood Hills Organization
Lake Katherine
POA of Lake Katherine
Sherwood Forest
Heathwood Park
Strathaven Forest



The trimming will be completed by SCE&G contractors and work will be closely monitored on a daily basis by the City's 4 Certified Arborists from the Forestry and Beautification Division.

The purpose of the trimming activities is to increase safety and reliability of the electric service. SCE&G reports an 89 percent improvement in reliability in vegetation related outages in areas where trimming is completed compared to a year ago. The trimming guidelines include removing vegetation within 8-12 feet below and beside the power lines and up to 20 feet above the power lines.

For more information about SCE&G's tree trimming efforts, including helpful tips and suggestions regarding the planting of trees and other vegetation, visit www.sceg.com/treetrimming.

CITY OF COLUMBIA TO HOST WALK BIKE COLUMBIA! PUBLIC MEETINGS



The City of Columbia will host four public meetings July 29 through 31 to gather input for the initial phase of the Walk Bike Columbia! planning process. Each meeting will be a drop-in format and will provide the same information and opportunity to gather input from residents and citizens in each district.

Public Meeting- District 1 July 29 at 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm

Eau Claire Print Building
3907 Ensor Street

Public Meeting- District 2 July 30 at 11:30am- 1:30 pm

Capstone (Campus Room)
898 Barnwell Street

Public Meeting- District 3 July 30 at 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm

MLK Park Community Center
2300 Greene Street

Public Meeting- District 4 July 31 at 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm

Woodland Park Community Center
6500 Olde Knight Parkway

Walk Bike Columbia! is a comprehensive effort to address the pedestrian, bicycle and transit needs of the City of Columbia through detailed analysis, public participation and interagency collaboration.

For more information about the project call the City of Columbia Planning Department at 545-3181 or visit www.walkbikecolumbia.org.



LET'S MOVE! COLUMBIA DANCE PROGRAM

The City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department and Let's Move! Columbia are holding a summer dance program for children.

Led by a local dance instructor, children ages 5-12 will learn the history and moves of a variety of dance styles including jazz, ballet, hip-hop and African.

The last dance camp will be held on Friday, July 25 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at and Woodland Park.



The summer dance program is in keeping with the City of Columbia's mission of empowering its citizens to maintain healthy lifestyles.

For more information, please call Wanda Austin at 803-255-8161

MAYOR'S BACK - TO - SCHOOL DRILLS AND SKILLS CLINICS

Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin invites the public to register youth ages 6 to 17 for the 5th Annual Mayor's Back-to-School Drills & Skills Clinics.

Drills & Skills offers a weeklong instructional clinic for youth to expand their skills in basketball, tennis and golf. The clinics, which run from August 4-8, ends with a skills competition on Friday, August 8. Clinics will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. **The clinics are free but registration is required.**

For more information, call the City of Columbia Parks & Recreation Department at 803-545-3100 or visit www.ColumbiaSC.net.

COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

FAN THE HEAT PROGRAM

The Columbia Police Department is asking for donations for Columbia citizens including: fans, air conditioning units and financial contributions. Donations will be accepted through Saturday, August 30.

The program is primarily designed for senior citizens, residents with medical concerns/ disabilities and families with small children.



Eligibility requirements include:

- Citizens must be 55 years-old or older
- Citizens must provide name, address and telephone number

Since its inception in 1995, the Fan the Heat program has assisted more than 7,000 Columbia citizens. Donations can be dropped off at any time at:

CPD Headquarters, #1 Justice Square .

Citizens who wish to make a monetary donation can make a check payable to:
The Columbia Police Municipal Funds. (Note "Fan the Heat Program" on the check.)

If a citizen needs assistance from the Fan the Heat program, they can call the Crime Prevention Unit at 803-545-3555 or CPD Telephone Response Unit at 803-545-3500.

COUNCILMAN CAMERON RUNYAN

TO HOST OPEN HOUSE

City Councilman Cameron Runyan will host his July Open House Monday, July 28, 2014 from 5-6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 1737 Main St.

**For more information or to schedule an appointment,
please call 803-545-3061.**



PET OF THE WEEK: MEET SANDY!

Meet Camela! (ID#A203233)

Camela is a brown German Shepard mix who is very mature. She is ready to get out there and play with an easy-going owner. Camela is 4 years old and has been micro-chipped and spayed. She enjoys spending time with other dogs, kids, and adults! Camela is easy to train and loves a relaxed environment. Is Camela the one for you?



Visit other pets available for adoption at the Columbia Animal Shelter, 127 Humane Lane. Visit www.columbiasc.net/animal-services or call 803-776-PETS for more information.

All of our pets need loving homes! To view other animals available for adoption, visit Petfinder.com. Please refer to the ID number listed above when visiting the website.

PET TIP OF THE WEEK: KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS

During summer months feel free to trim longer hair on your dog, but never shave your dog: The layers of dogs' coats protect them from overheating and sunburn. Brushing cats more often than usual can prevent problems caused by excessive heat. And be sure that any sunscreen or insect repellent product you use on your pets is labeled specifically for use on animals.

VISIT THE PARK OF THE WEEK:

HAMPTON PARK

Hampton Park, located off Garners Ferry Road in the Brandon Acres and Cedar Terrace neighborhood, offers a variety of programs and activities for youth and adults.

The park features a pond, youth baseball field, basketball court, playground area, a sun porch and spray pool. Hampton Park is also home to a community garden for those looking to grow fresh fruits and vegetables.



Hampton Park
117 Brandon Avenue
803-776-9082



The facility houses a summer camp and after-school program that begins in August for youth Monday through Friday. Through the camp and after-school program, children have the opportunity to develop leadership skills, participate in physical activities, arts & crafts, field trips and more.

For more information, please visit <http://www.columbiasc.net/parks-recreation>.

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT NETWORK CALENDAR



YOUTH EMPOWERMENT NETWORK CALENDAR OF EVENTS SUMMER 2014

July 20-26

July 21-31 - Maxcy Gregg Pool: Swim Lessons Session 4 - Maxcy Gregg Pool, City of Columbia Parks & Recreation, (803) 733-8447

July 21-25 - Pottery Explorations: Session 4 Ages 10-14- City of Columbia Art Center 1928 Calhoun Street Columbia, SC, 9am-12pm - Brenda Oliver, (803) 545-3093 or bloiver@columbiasc.net

July 25-Movie Series Fridays at Riverfront Park: Monsters vs. Aliens - Riverfront Park, Fun and Games at 7:00pm, Movie at 8:30pm - Kim Mitchell, kcmitchell@columbiasc.net or (803) 545-3100

July 25 - Primetime Party in Parks - Greenview Park & ML King Park, 8pm-11pm, Ages 13-18 - City Parks and Recreations, (803) 545-3100 or www.columbiasc.net/parks-recreation

July 26 - Concert Series Saturdays at Finlay Park: Mystic Vibrations - Reggae - Finlay Park, Saturday's 7pm-10pm - Kim Mitchell, kcmitchell@columbiasc.net or (803) 545-3100

***May 6 - Aug. 19** - Strengthening Families Program- Edgewood Foundation Center, Tuesdays 6 pm—City Year - Rachel Defoe, rdefoe@cityyear.org or (803) 251-8465

***Note:** These events are not sponsored by the City of Columbia. For more information, contact the organization directly.

For information on adding an event, send inquiries to pio@ColumbiaSC.net

CHRISTMAS IN JULY ADOPTION SPECIALS!



\$25

Pet Adoptions!

(applies to all Cats & Dogs)

**As an added GIFT,
you'll also receive a
FREE picture with
Santa & your new
companion!**

**Christmas
in July**

July 24th – 26th

Columbia Animal Services

127 Humane Lane, Columbia, SC 29209 — 803-776-PETS (7387)



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Go To
Petfinder

To View Our Adoptable Pets

SAVE THE DATE: NATIONAL NIGHT OUT KICKOFF

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

6 - 10 P.M.

FINLAY PARK



FREE!

KICKOFF!

Communities Lighting Up the Night

Fighting Crime. Increasing Safety. Creating Awareness.

Safety Vehicles, Neighborhood Display Contest, "Catch the Criminal" scavenger hunt, Dancing, Face Painting, Bounce Houses, Exhibitors, Games, Sistercare Donation Station, Live Entertainment by Saxophonist Dante Lewis and more!

For more information, call Community Development at 545-3373, CPD at 803-545-3555 or visit www.columbiasc.net.



**Saturday, August 2
6—10 p.m.
Finlay Park
930 Laurel St.**



For more information about the National Night Out Kickoff,
please call Community Development at 803-545-3373.

Save the



Date!

Tuesday, August 5, 2014
Your Neighborhood!



National Night Out is about taking the streets back and coming together to help prevent crime in your neighborhood. Join neighbors, friends and family for a special night out of community fun. Meet your City Council representative, meet new neighbors, grab a bite to eat and let the good times roll.

Want to find out if your neighborhood is hosting an event? Call Community Development at 803-545-3373.

Don't know which neighborhood you live in?

[Click here!](#)



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MAYOR'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRILLS AND SKILLS CLINICS



Mayor's Back-To-School **DRILLS & SKILLS** Basketball, Tennis & Golf Clinics

AUGUST 4 - 8, 2014

Youth, ages 6 thru 17, will have the opportunity to learn instructional basketball, tennis or golf skills during the week, ending with a Skills Competition on Friday. Clinics are free but registration is required.

For more information, call Parks & Recreation at 803-545-3100

BASKETBALL **CLINICS**

6PM - 8PM

Boys 6 - 9	Hyatt Park
Boys 10 - 13	Greenview Park
Boys 14 - 17	M.L. King Park
Girls 6 - 17	Drew Wellness Center



TENNIS CLINIC

6PM - 8PM

Boys & Girls
Ages 6 - 17
Columbia Tennis Center



No previous skills required
Personal equipment is welcomed
Please wear white loose fitting clothes,
tennis shoes, hat or visor

Space is Limited! Register Early!

GOLF CLINIC

6PM - 8PM



Boys & Girls **Ages 6 - 17**
James E. Clyburn Golf Center

No previous skills required.
Personal equipment is welcomed
Please wear comfortable clothes,
tennis shoes, hat or visor

Space is Limited! Register Early!

Friday, AUGUST 8, 2014
SCHOOL SUPPLIES GIVEAWAYS
& BASKETBALL SKILLS
COMPETITION
Greenview Park, Hyatt Park,
& MLK Park
6PM - 8PM



SAVE THE DATE:
MAYOR'S WALK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

SAVE THE DATE

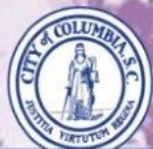


Mayor's Walk
**AGAINST
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014

**9 A.M.
FINLAY PARK**

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



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For more information, contact Public Relations at 803-545-3020 or pio@columbiasc.net.



**For more information about the Mayor's Walk Against
Domestic Violence, call Public Relations at 803-545-3020.**

CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	TYPE OF MEETING	DEADLINES FOR AGENDA ITEMS
August 5	WORK SESSION	July 25
August 19	WORK SESSION / COUNCIL MEETING	August 8

- The Columbia City Council will conduct a work session on **Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 2 p.m.** at City Hall, 1737 Main Street.

For additional information regarding the City Council meetings, contact the Office of the City Clerk at 803-545-3045.



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